

THEATER

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The Bay  Players

Bay Players Present *The Crucible*

When the curtain goes up on Bay Players' production of Arthur Miller's "The Crucible", the audience will witness first hand what happens when children's lies, politics and religion affect a small New England town in 1692, just 70 years into the settlement of the new colony. The story centers in and around the private lives of Elizabeth and John Proctor and their scheming serving girl, Abigail Williams. When false and cruel accusations, dealt for self-seeking reasons, touch the entire town of Salem, MA, the drama of the Proctor's, the Putnams, ministers, townsfolk and judges is revealed. As the story unfolds, we find children being led into statements by adults for their own personal prestige and selfish motivations, causing people to be forced into grave situations in what turned into the major news story of the day. In the end, good people would question their own identities and reasons for being, their integrity and their souls.

"The Crucible," one of Arthur Miller's greatest works, is based on fact and real people, and is abundant in poetic images and psychologically rich. Tickets for this production, which will take place at DJSHS on June 21, 22, 28 and 29 at 8 pm, can be purchased at Westwinds Bookshop, The John Alden House in Duxbury, or at Jackson's in Marshfield. Tickets are \$12, general admission; \$10, seniors/students. Group rates available. For information and reservations, call the Bay Players at 582-1898.
